



Demography / Population

Estimated Population: 743,319 Population Per Square Mile: 733.7
 Population Rank Among Texas' 254 Counties: 6 Area In Square Miles: 1,013.1

Ethnicity	Total	County	State	Age	Females	Males	Total	County	State
		Percent	Percent					Percent	Percent
Anglo	98,804	13.3%	48.2%	00 - 04	35,072	36,464	71,536	9.6%	8.0%
Hispanic	611,051	82.2%	36.1%	05 - 14	54,738	56,209	110,947	14.9%	14.5%
Black	20,234	2.7%	11.7%	15 - 44	167,473	170,186	337,659	45.4%	45.0%
Other	13,230	1.8%	4.0%	45 - 64	80,925	69,554	150,479	20.2%	22.8%
				65+	42,720	29,978	72,698	9.8%	9.8%
				Total	380,928	362,391	743,319	100.0%	100.0%
				County	51.2%	48.8%			
				State	50.0%	50.0%			



Socioeconomic Indicators

	County	State		County	State
Average Monthly TANF (Temporary Assistance to Needy Families) Recipients	11,047	159,889	Average Monthly Children's Health Insurance (CHIP) Enrollment	12,332	304,217
Average Monthly Food Stamp Participants	153,631	2,548,310			
Unduplicated Count of Medicaid Clients	206,704	4,313,318			
Medicaid Covered Births	9,113	223,128			
Medicaid Births as % of Total Births	63.7%	56.6%			
Unemployment Rate	6.7%	4.9%			
Per Capita Personal Income	\$25,182	\$35,162			

	Number	County Percent	State Percent
Without Health Insurance			
0 - 64 Years	213,374	32.5%	27.6%
0 - 17 Years	40,342	17.8%	20.3%
Persons Living Below Poverty			
All Ages	197,675	27.4%	16.9%
0 - 17 Years	87,091	37.9%	23.8%

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	Births ¹	Percent	
		County	State
Total Live Births	14,289		
Adolescent Mothers (<18)	858	6.0%	4.9%
Unmarried Mothers	5,796	40.6%	39.6%
Low Birth Weight ¹	1,244	8.7%	8.5%
Prenatal Care in First Trimester ³	8,374	60.4%	60.5%
		Rate	
Fertility Rate ¹		85.3	77.6

Communicable Diseases - Reported Cases

	Cases	Rate ²	
		County	State
Tuberculosis	72	9.7	6.7
Sexually Transmitted Diseases			
Primary and Secondary Syphilis	14	1.9	4.5
Gonorrhea	343	46.1	128.8
Chlamydia	2,573	346.2	320.4
AIDS	37	5.0	12.4
Pertussis	9	1.2	4.1
Varicella (Chickenpox)	267	35.9	50.1

Mortality⁵

	Deaths ¹	Rate ⁴			Deaths ¹	Rate ⁴	
		County	State			County	State
Deaths from All Causes	4,356	747.7	805.1	Accidents	219	31.8	40.7
Heart Disease	984	175.3	203.6	Motor Vehicle Accidents	92	12.5	16.2
Cerebrovascular Disease ((Stroke)	248	43.9	50.2	Diabetes	201	34.9	26.5
All Cancer	966	163.8	176.7	Alzheimer's	139	26.7	27.6
Respiratory/Lung Cancer	204	34.9	49.5	Influenza and Pneumonia	72	12.8	18.0
Female Breast Cancer	76	22.0	22.8	Assault (Homicide)	27	3.6	6.0
Colorectal Cancer	91	15.7	17.1	Suicide	57	8.5	10.2
Male Prostrate Cancer	62	27.1	22.6	Septicemia	76	13.2	13.8
Chronic Lower Respiratory Disease	195	35.7	40.9	Chronic Liver Disease & Cirrhosis	133	21.3	11.0
Nephritis, Nephrotic Syndrome and Nephrosis	82	14.3	15.7	Infant Deaths	72	5.0	6.2
				Fetal Deaths ¹	79	5.5	5.5

¹ All births and deaths are by county of residence. Low birth weight represents live-born infants weighing less than 2,500 grams at birth. Fetal deaths are those occurring after 20 weeks gestation and prior to birth. Fertility rates are per 1,000 women ages 15 - 44.

² Disease rates are per 100,000 population. Use caution interpreting rates based on small numbers of cases.

³ Due to a revised birth certificate in 2005, onset of prenatal care is not comparable to values published in prior years.

⁴ Infant death rates are per 1,000 live births. Fetal death rates are per 1,000 live births plus fetal deaths. All other death rates were age adjusted to the 2000 standard per 100,000 population. No age-adjusted rates were calculated if based on 20 or fewer deaths. Infant and fetal death rates were not calculated if 20 or fewer births or births plus fetal deaths occurred. Missing rates are indicated by "--".

⁵ Current mortality rates by cause are not comparable with data reported prior to 1999. **Refer to the Data Sources Document for more detail.**